



John Richard Oliphant, Sr.

December 16, 1935 - September 13, 2009

John Richard “Big John” Oliphant, Sr. age 73, of Hobart, formerly of Frankfort, IN, passed away Sunday, September 13, 2009.

John was retired from the Pipe Fitters Local #597. He was a member of Eagles Aerie Lodge #2529 of Cedar Lake. He was a proud veteran of the Army 11th Airborne Division.

He was preceded in death by his parents Russell and Alberta Oliphant, and his brother and sister-in-law Donald and Louise Oliphant. He is survived by his sons: Russell (Kathy) Oliphant of Elkhart, IN and John (Joyce) Oliphant, Jr. of Cedar Lake; daughters: Margaret “Peggy” (David) Bulanda of Lowell and Sarasue (Greg) Bulanda of Lowell; brother: Robert (Doris) Oliphant of Marysville, WA, first wife, Norma Amsden and former wife Diane Oliphant.

Six grandchildren: Amanda (Chris) Young, Mindy (Jonathan) Budz, Kayla Bulanda, Jesse Bulanda, Jennifer Bulanda and Carla Gard. Great

grandchildren: Katelyn and Jonathan Budz, Travis Oliphant, Alexander Young, Karson and Tanner Gard.

Funeral services Wednesday, September 16, 2009, 6:00 p.m. at the Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point with Pastor Bill Borrow officiating. Friends may visit with the family on Wednesday from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. (Time of services). Cremation will follow at the Burns Funeral Home Crematory.